consequent on the favourable monsoons this year there will be increased output of the agricultural products such as pepper, cocoanuts etc., leading to larger exports of such articles.

10. *Interest.*—The Budget provides for Rs 2·20 lakhs less than the revised estimate figure for the current year. It is not expected that any large surplus investments will be made next year and consequently no amount will be realised as discount on purchase. The receipts on account of the interest on current and fixed deposits in Bank are also expected to be less than the current year's figure by Rs ·39 of a lakh.

11. *Buildings, Communications and Miscellaneous Public Improvements.*—An increase of nearly 1/2 a lakh of rupees is expected under this head principally on account of larger receipts expected on "Tolls on roads and bridges".

12. *Railways (net receipts).*—The net receipts derived by the Government from the working of the Railway from Shencotta to Trivandrum, in 1103 were Rs ·94 of a lakh. A sum of Rs 1 lakh was estimated as the probable receipts during the current year. But it is now expected to be only Rs ·55 of a lakh. Based generally on the actuals of previous years, the receipts for 1105 have been put down at Rs 1 lakh.

EXPENDITURE CHARGED TO REVENUE.

13. Turning to the expenditure side of the next year's Budget, we propose to spend Rs 244·94 lakhs, charging to revenue. Excluding the extraordinary expenditure on account of Murajapom and His Excellency the Viceroy's visit, the amount allotted for 1105 is Rs 238·69 lakhs which is itself Rs 11·75 lakhs more than what is expected to be spent this year on ordinary items of expenditure. I shall explain briefly the more important items contributing to this increase.

14. *Expenditure on Public Works.*—The budgeted figure is Rs 41·88 lakhs as against the original budget allotment of Rs 43 lakhs for the current year. It has to be observed that the allotment for the current year is the highest we have had and exceeded the Budget for 1103 by Rs 9 lakhs. Although provision had to be made for the special items of expenditure mentioned above, Government have allotted Rs 41·88 lakhs for expenditure on Public Works next year (which is only slightly less than the grant for the current year) with a view to meet the ever-increasing demand for opening up of new communications and for maintaining the existing communications in the present condition of efficiency which will be otherwise impossible on account of the rapid increase in motor traffic in recent times.

15. Full details of the proposed expenditure on works in progress and on new works have been placed in the hands of members.

The following is a comparative analysis of the allotments for works alone (excluding the provisions for establishment charges and tools and

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plant) made in the Budget Estimates of the current and the ensuing year :—

	1104.	1105.
Ordinary Public Works.	(*in lakhs of rupees.*)	
(i) Buildings	...7·58	5·49
(ii) Communications ...	23·30	23·94
(iii) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	...1·22	1·20
Protective Irrigation	...1·42	2·19
Productive Irrigation	... ·67	·70

Members will observe that while the allotment for buildings has been reduced by over Rs 2 lakhs, an increased provision of Rs ·64 of a lakh is made for communications and Rs ·77 of a lakh for Protective or Minor Irrigation. Under works in progress, provision is made in the coming year for a further outlay of Rs. 4 lakhs on the Pallivasal-Neriamangalam road with a view to push on the work rapidly to completion.

16. The list of new works includes provision of nearly Rs. 1 lakh for construction of bridges and culverts, provision for spramaxing 2 miles of road in the Trivandrum Town, for improvements to markets, for sinking wells in non-municipal areas and tube wells in the fishing villages in South Travancore and for electrification of certain additional Government buildings in the Trivandrum Town. Sufficient money has also been allotted for repairing the damage caused to roads and bridges by the recent floods. In regard to markets, it may be mentioned that the provision of Rs. ·17 of a lakh made in the P. W. D. budget is in addition to the sum of Rs. ·45 of a lakh provided in the Land Revenue budget.

17. The allotment for annual repairs and maintenance is Rs. 12·73 lakhs inclusive of a reserve with Government of Rs. 1/2 a lakh for giving new and increased maintenance grants to roads when necessary.

18. *Education.*—The total allotment for the next year is Rs. 49·01 lakhs which is Rs. 6·08 lakhs more than what is expected to be spent this year. The bulk of this increase is on account of a provision of Rs. 4·26 lakhs made for giving increased pay to the Vernacular School teachers in departmental schools and for additional grants-in-aid to private schools with *retrospective* effect from 1st Chingam 1104. Thus provision is made for the arrears due for the current year as also for the increases in the next year. Although it is sometime since Government orders were issued for the revision of pay of the Vernacular School teachers, it has not been possible to settle the pay which each individual teacher would get on the 1st Chingam 1104 under the revision, the number of such teachers being over 7,000 in departmental schools alone. Detailed information has been called for and obtained by the Director of Public Instruction and it is hoped that it will be possible to give effect to the revision early next year.

19. The remaining portion of the increased allotment is spread over Collegiate Education (·23), English School Education (·28) Vernacular School Education (1·05), Special School Education (·08) and Miscellaneous (·19).

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20. The College for women was affiliated to the Madras University in the current year in the Mathematics group in the B. A. course and Indian Music in the Intermediate course. The Mathematics class has already been opened. The opening of the Music class has been postponed for want of a sufficient number of students to undergo the course. A sum of Rs. 10,600 is provided for the purpose in the budget of the institution for 1105. Mention may also be made of the fact that Government have recently sanctioned a scheme for the appointment of Physical Directors in Colleges and in pursuance thereof two young men have been selected and deputed to undergo training in the Y. M C. A. School of Physical Education in Madras. A proposal to introduce physical education in the Women's College has also been sanctioned and a lady graduate is being sent to Madras for the necessary training. There is also a lump sum provision of Rs. ·30 of a lakh under Vernacular School Education for additional teachers, equipment etc., in boys' and girls' schools.

21. *Administration of Justice.*—The allotment for the next year is Rs. 12·31 lakhs which is Rs. ·85 of a lakh more than the revised estimate for the current year. Besides making provision for the continuance of the third bench in the High Court as also for the existing temporary Judges' courts, Munsiffs' courts and the Sirkar Vakils' offices, provision is made for a few additional clerks and typists in the High Court and also for one additional clerk in each of the six District Courts, the 23 Principal and 7 Additional Munsiffs' courts and for the six Official Receivers, all temporary for one year. Provision is also made for the appointment of a Judge of the High Court as Commissioner for a period of six months in 1105 for enquiring into Laws' Delays in Civil Courts and to consider the question of a general readjustment of the territorial jurisdiction of the Civil Courts in the State.

22. *Medical and Sanitary.*—The allotment for the next year is Rs. 11·39 lakhs. The current year's provision of Rs. 2·35 lakhs which was half a lakh of rupees more than the allotment for 1103 is repeated for 1105 for the purchase of European medicines, surgical instruments, etc. Under Sanitary, a lump sum provision of Rs. ·60 of a lakh is made for working the Public Health programme for the next year. Dr. Jacocks, representative of the Rockefeller Foundation in Travancore who has been appointed as Honorary Adviser to Government in Public Health matters forwarded for sanction a working programme and an estimate for 1105 to the extent of Rs ·75 of a lakh. The provision of Rs. ·60 of a lakh made in the Budget is for the main items in that programme *viz*:

i. Appointment of an Entomologist for the investigation of the malarial and filarial mosquitoes.

ii. Hookworm survey.

iii. Malaria survey.

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iv. Investigations into filariasis.

v. Appointment of an Educational officer for health propaganda work.

vi. Payment of scholarship to one of the two officers deputed for public health training in America (the expenses of the other being met by the Rockefeller Foundation.)

23. The budget of the Sanitary department makes provision for opening six new conservancy stations in 1105. This is in addition to seven such stations opened in the years 1103 and 1104. In the Ayurveda Department, the scheme of giving grant-in-aid to 120 Vaidyasalas in a period of 10 years was completely worked out last year. In view of the increasing demand for Vaidyasalas, provision is made in the next year's Budget for the award of grants to 5 more Vaidyasalas.

24. *Registration and Anchal Departments.* Lump sum provisions of Rs. ·25 of a lakh and Rs. ·20 of a lakh respectively were made in the current year's Budget for the revision of pay of the clerical and other subordinate staff in these departments. But it was not possible to decide the details of the revisions and to give effect to them during the current year itself. They have now been decided upon and the necessary detailed provision has been made in the Budget for 1105. Besides providing for the continuance of the existing 13 temporary Sub-Registry offices, 3 more temporary offices are also proposed to be opened from the beginning of the next year in order to relieve the congestion in some of the overworked offices.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE NOT CHARGED TO REVENUE.

25. *Railways.* The allotment provided for 1105 is Rs. 10·73 lakhs distributed as below:

Quilon-Trivandrum Railway	...	·80
Chackay-Tampanur Extension	...	9·50
Establishment and Surveys	...	·36
Special Land Acquisition Officer (for 5 months).		·07
Total	...	10·73

The cost of the Chackay-Tampanur Extension as per the sanctioned estimate is Rs. 19·15 lakhs. Rs. ·45 of a lakh was spent on the work in 1103. The budget estimate for 1104 was Rs. 14·21 lakhs. The revised estimate is however only Rs. 9·20 lakhs. As much progress on the works has not been made during the year, as anticipated, owing to delay in the settlement of contracts and to the handing over of the lands. The lands have now been almost completely handed over and awards to the extent of Rs. 5·20 lakhs are expected to be paid this year. The amount required for the completion of the work *viz.*, Rs. 9·50 lakhs is provided for 1105 and it is hoped that the work will be completed by the end of the year.

26. *Trivandrum Water Works.*—The estimated cost of the scheme is Rs. 46·22 lakhs for immediate execution inclusive of the expenditure on establishment and tools and plant and Rs. 52·59 lakhs when the

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